

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION REPORT

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I. HEADING

Date: July 6, 1995
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POLREP No.: PRP Removal-POLREP 2

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	XA
Delivery Order No.:	N/A
Response Authority:	CERCLA
ERNS No.:	N/A
Cerclis No.:	MID981191262
NPL Status:	No
State Notification:	Referred by MDNR
Action Memorandum Status:	Signed
Start Date:	April 17, 1995
Demobilization Date:	N/A
Completion Date:	NA

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category Abandoned production facility presently used for boat, RV, and auto storage.

B. Site Description

1. Site location

The Venture Rim Products site is located at 1080 Welch Road, Walled Lake, Commerce Township,

Oakland County, Michigan (42°32'36.6"N, 83°27'24.4"W). The site, 2.9 acres in size, consists of one metal sided storage building (approximately 35,000 square feet, one cinder block building, one rolloff box, and approximately 280 55-gallon drums containing mostly component resins of methylene bisphenyl isocyanate (MDI) and polyols (aromatic amines and polyethers)). The site is owned by Jim Howard.

The site is bordered by an active Grand Trunk railroad track to the north, Welch Road to the west, a vacant area to the south, and a wooded area to the east. The site is situated in a general manufacturing and residential area.

According to file information, different owners and operators have used the facility for the manufacturing of polyurethane bumpers, utilizing a plastic injection molding process. Information also indicated that the facility has been vacant for the past six years.

2. Description of threat

On May 27, 1994, a fire caused damage to the office area of the main building; but did not affect the drums that had been abandoned. It was reported during the fire investigation, that vandals had entered the building in the past, puncturing and overturning drums, and spilling the contents onto the floor.

C. Preliminary Assessment/Site inspection Results

Upon request from MDNR, U.S. EPA conducted a site assessment on June 6, 1994. U. S. EPA determined the site contained hazardous wastes, and also determined that the integrity of the building had been compromised due to the fire. Site conditions were stabilized by an EERB OSC during the initial response.

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Current Situation

Under the consent order, the PRP contractor, Enmanco, had initiated the removal activities, but stopped work following the collection of sample for disposal analysis. Since early May, 1995, no

progress was made and a number of milestones have been missed. Following a notice of violation on Monday, July 5, 1995, a meeting was held at the site between OSC Lall and the principals for the PRP subcontractor, Enmanco, Inc.. The work done prior to the shut down, funding to complete the work in progress, and possible start up were discussed, the property owners were cited as the reason for the shut down. A loan to fund the completion of work was said to be likely and upon receipt of the funding, work may resume at the site on the week of July 10, 1995. The site was toured completed work was photodocumented.

2. On July 6, 1995, in a conference call, the Response Manager for Enmanco notified the OSC and the ORC attorney that the site remobilization was scheduled for the week of July 10, 1995.
3. The PRP contractor will submit a new schedule, for the EPA's approval, for the completion of the site work.

B. Next Steps

Complete drum consolidation into waste streams.

Address the on site rolloff box.

Dispose of all contaminated materials, including drum contents, waste absorbent and spill material, personal protective equipment (PPE), empty drums and debris.

Develop a plan to determine the extent of contamination.

Decontaminate all building surfaces, and prevent any further migration of contaminated materials.

C. Key Issues

NONE

V. COST INFORMATION

Estimated TAT costs as of July 6, 1995:

<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
\$ 16,000	\$ 5,312	\$ 10,688